



Lieutenant Colonel Michael J. Colburn

# NEWS

Marine Band  
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## “THE PRESIDENT’S OWN” ANNOUNCES JANUARY SCHEDULE

WASHINGTON—“The President’s Own” United States Marine Band, Marine Chamber Orchestra and Marine Chamber Ensembles present the following free concerts in January. Tickets are not required unless otherwise noted. Please include these performances among your January calendar/events listings.

For general concert information, patrons may call the 24-hour Concert Information Line at (202) 433-4011 or visit [www.marineband.usmc.mil](http://www.marineband.usmc.mil). Directions and parking information are available by contacting the performance venues at the numbers and websites listed below.

### MARINE BAND

**WHEN:** 2 p.m., Sunday, January 8

**WHERE:** Center for the Arts Concert Hall, George Mason University  
Braddock Road and Route 123, Fairfax, Va.  
Venue information: (703) 993-8888 or [www.gmu.edu/cfa](http://www.gmu.edu/cfa)

**COST:** FREE, no tickets required

**PROGRAM:** Director Lieutenant Colonel Michael J Colburn, conducting  
*Special appearance by 25<sup>th</sup> Marine Band Director Colonel John R. Bourgeois, USMC, (Ret.)*  
**Sousa Season Opener**— The performance will feature marches, songs and suites composed by the famed “March King” alongside other works he famously programmed throughout his tenure as an American bandmaster. The Jan. 8 concert also will feature Sousa’s “President Garfield’s Inauguration March,” which will be dedicated to the memory of renowned 19<sup>th</sup> century architect Adolf Cluss for his contributions to Washington, D.C., culture. Cluss’ notable designs include the National Museum, now the Smithsonian Arts and Industries Building, where the

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Inaugural ball of President James Garfield was held. President Garfield's Inaugural also was Sousa's first Presidential Inauguration as Director of the Marine Band. In 2006, the Goethe-Institut Washington will open The Adolf Cluss Exhibition Project to honor the architect. More information is available at [www.Adolf-Cluss.org](http://www.Adolf-Cluss.org).

**Featuring works** by John Philip Sousa, Gioachino Rossini and Camille Saint-Saëns

**WHEN:** 2 p.m., Sunday, January 15

**WHERE:** Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall, Northern Virginia Community College  
3001 North Beauregard Street, Alexandria, Va.  
Venue information: (703) 845-6156 or [www.schlesingercenter.com](http://www.schlesingercenter.com)

**COST:** FREE, no tickets required

**PROGRAM:** Assistant Director Captain Jason K. Fettig, conducting  
**Heroes in America**—A tribute to the American spirit

**Featuring works** by John Philip Sousa, Morton Gould and Aaron Copland

## MARINE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

**WHEN:** 2 p.m., Sunday, January 29

**WHERE:** Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall, Northern Virginia Community College  
3001 North Beauregard Street, Alexandria, Va.  
Venue information: (703) 845-6156 or [www.schlesingercenter.com](http://www.schlesingercenter.com)

**COST:** FREE, no tickets required

**PROGRAM:** Assistant Director Captain Jason K. Fettig, conducting  
**The Joy of Composing**—Four timeless works by great composers clearly taking pleasure in their craft

**Featuring works** by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Igor Stravinsky and Jean Sibelius.

## MARINE CHAMBER ENSEMBLES

**WHEN:** 2 p.m., Sunday, January 22

**WHERE:** George Washington Masonic National Memorial Auditorium  
101 Callahan Drive, Alexandria, Va.  
Venue information: (703) 683-2007 or [www.gwmemorial.org](http://www.gwmemorial.org)

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**COST:** FREE, no tickets required

**PROGRAM: Featuring music** by Frédéric Chopin, Antonio Vivaldi and Claude Debussy.

Complete program information is available at [www.marineband.usmc.mil](http://www.marineband.usmc.mil). **Pre-Concert Ensembles** perform 45 minutes prior to most Marine Band and Marine Chamber Orchestra concerts. This year, “The President’s Own” introduces new **Post-Concert Chats**, a series of talks with the conductor following select performances, which will accent Marine Band and Marine Chamber Orchestra performances throughout the season. By offering imaginative and interactive concerts, “The President’s Own” hopes its 2006 Showcase Series will create an engaging musical experience for patrons, one through which they can discover the rich, resonant world of music. For information on any of the above concerts or programs, please contact “The President’s Own” Public Affairs Office at (202) 433-5809 or [usmbpao@mbw.usmc.mil](mailto:usmbpao@mbw.usmc.mil). Press materials, photographs and interviews also are available upon request.

*The Marine Band is America’s oldest professional musical organization. Founded in 1798, the band has performed for every U.S. President since John Adams. Given the title “The President’s Own” by Thomas Jefferson, the Marine Band’s primary mission is to provide music for the President of the United States and the Commandant of the Marine Corps.*

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